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# H. R. 7227

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 24, 2022

Mr. TAKANO introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Information on Federal  
3 Resources for Military Servicemembers Act” or the “IN-  
4 FORMS Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. FACT SHEETS REGARDING VA AND SOCIAL SECU-  
6 RITY BENEFITS AND COMPENSATION.**

7 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than six months  
8 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
9 of Veterans Affairs, after consultation with the Commis-  
10 sioner of the Social Security Administration and stake-  
11 holders (including veterans service organizations), shall  
12 create fact sheets, one for veterans and one for survivors  
13 of deceased veterans, that compares, for such individ-  
14 uals—

15 (1) benefits and compensation (including a pen-  
16 sion) under laws administered by the Secretary;

17 (2) monthly insurance benefits under title II of  
18 the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 401 et seq.); and

19 (3) supplemental security income under title  
20 XVI of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1381 et  
21 seq.).

22 (b) ELEMENTS.—A fact sheet created under sub-  
23 section (a) shall include, with respect to such benefits and  
24 compensation, monthly insurance benefits, and supple-  
25 mental security income, the following:

26 (1) Differences in eligibility requirements.

1           (2) Filing requirements.

2           (3) How to apply.

3           (4) Sources of additional information or assist-  
4           ance in applications.

5           (c) PROVISION.—Not later than three months after  
6           creating a fact sheet under subsection (a), the Secretary  
7           shall provide a copy thereof to an individual whenever the  
8           Secretary—

9           (1) receives from such individual—

10           (A) an initial claim for a benefit or com-  
11           pensation; or

12           (B) a claim for an increase to a benefit or  
13           compensation; or

14           (2) notifies such individual that the Secretary  
15           has denied a claim for, or decreased the amount of,  
16           a benefit or compensation.

17           (d) ANNUAL UPDATES.—The Secretary shall update  
18           a fact sheet created under subsection (a), to reflect  
19           amendments to laws described in such subsection, not less  
20           than once annually.

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